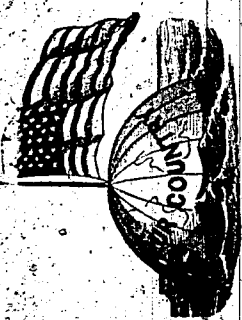


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GROWING-SERIOUS.

Secretary Olney has notified Spain that if she executes the captain and crew of the Competitor that she would be held responsible by the United States, and that one or more battle ships will be sent at once to Havana. General Weyler says that if the Spanish government does not allow him to execute these Americans, he will resign. The Spanish people are inclined to believe that they can wipe the United States off the face of the earth in a very short time if they are only given a chance, and they will do it in their power to have war declared. The Spanish newspapers are all opposed to any delay in the execution of the American sailors and stand solidly by General Weyler. To those who have watched the Cuban-Spanish war for the past six months it is very plain that General Weyler has convinced himself that he is a failure in putting down the revolution, and that he cannot fulfil one promise that he made to his government, and that he wants to resign, and that he is running this bluff on his government in order to give him the opportunity. It is not because he cannot put down the rebellion that he desires to resign, but it is because he is confident of his life, and he is not afraid of Cuban sympathizers, and he doesn't know what a dynamite bomb will do to his existence. Again, he is so unpopular with his troops and officers that he is constantly in fear that they will wind up his career upon the first opportunity.

The desire of the Spaniards to chase the American people is quite laughable. They cannot do anything with the 25,000 insurgents that have been keeping them dancing for the past ten years, so that there is no danger of them doing the United States any harm. There has been a good many insults heaped upon the United States by Spain during the last year or two, and it is not surprising that they were stopped, and they would have been long ago, if James G. Blaine were alive and had the handling of the question. Some three months ago a newspaper correspondent went to the newspaper of General Weyler for a time, and then banished from the country. During the past week two more have been ordered to leave by the first steamer, or suffer imprisonment, and probably death. Every American in Cuba is insulted by the Spanish officers and troops, and are subjected to many indignities, and are treated as spies, and yet Mr. Blaine has no intention to the action of Congress in the matter but continues to allow a little jumping jack of a nation to insult and harass us every turn.

SLIGHTLY MIXED.

In some cases the whole thing is a Republican who went to Sacramento and were sent by the Convention, instead of the appointed delegates, overreached themselves. When the report of the Committee on Credentials was read, Reuf, of Alameda, moved that each delegate of the report be taken up separately, and when the matter was put to a vote it was decided.

ated by 477 to 99 votes. Mr. Reuf then proceeded to talk upon the question of the adoption of the report, whereupon George W. Elder of San Francisco, moved the previous question. The motion, "Shall the previous question be put?" was carried by a voice vote, but in the confusion that followed the original motion to adopt the report as a whole. E. K. Taylor, of Alameda, called the attention of the Chairman to the failure to put the original motion, but Reuf ruled that the report had been adopted, saying "My ruling stands."

Like a fact, it can be established by the records and hundreds of witnesses that the report of the Committee on Credentials was never adopted. As the Convention in neither session nor unseated either the McKinley or Allison delegations from the Fourth District, the delegates elected by them will at least go to the National Convention on an equal footing. As the Committee on Credentials of the National body will not be a partisan body prejudging in favor of the Wilson delegates, it is more than probable that the regularly appointed McKinley delegates will be seated. This same line of reasoning holds good in the Third, only for greater de-termined country was the regular delegates, and as the report of the Committee on Credentials was never adopted, the McKinley delegates were never seated at St. Louis without any trouble.

The McKinley delegates are usually seated, but then apparent success made them too sanguine, and Mr. Arthur, who, by the way, is a social delegation from the north, added the contents of the party was made Chairman, was too intent on carrying out his instructions to follow lighter mental procedure, and consequently the victory that the would-be reformers thought they had gained has been turned into defeat.

The war vessels that have been constructed by the United States have proved to be the fastest, the best and the most durable and each and every one has been accepted after it has been built here. The last one that has been built here is the Oregon, which, perhaps, the very best vessel now in the American navy, and Irving Scott & Co. are to be congratulated upon their ability to build the best ships in the world, and that too on the Pacific Coast at San Francisco. There has been a tendency on the part of the large dealers of San Francisco to discredit the abilities of the vessels built on this coast and as a consequence several vessels that might have been built here have been constructed in Philadelphia.

The San Francisco Call comes out but foisted for woman suffrage, and will fight on that line to a finish. We can gratulate the women of the State that they have secured such a champion. Examiner is giving heated room to the subject, and is at least treating it fairly in its editorials. The Berkeley Gazette is making a special fight for the suffrage amendment in that locality, and we congratulate our sister in belief placed in such a place, complex on this question. Give the women their half of the world and our word for it they will raise the politics of the country to a higher plane. Place Argus.

A complete comparison of the 14th and 15th Amendments of the Constitution will settle the question of whether or not Lyon Post, G. A. R., will override its suspension and participate in the Memorial Day exercises of Oakland.

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LEGEND OF THE CROSS

WOOD DERIVED FROM THE TREE OF LIFE IN THE GARDEN OF EDEN.

A Story of the Death of Adam and the Crucifixion of Christ Which Was Recited in the Middle Ages—How Seth Got a Clasp of Paradise.

When Adam was banished from paradise, he lived in penitence, endeavoring to expiate the past by prayer and fast. When he reached a great age and felt death approaching, he called Seth to him and said: "Go, my son, to the terrestrial paradise and ask the archangel who keeps the gate to give me a balsam which will save me from death. You will easily find the way because my footprints are marked on the soil as I left paradise. Follow my blackened traces and they will conduct you to the gate whence I was expelled."

Seth hastened to paradise. The way was barren, vegetation was scanty and of sallow color. Over all lay the black prints of his father's feet and a faint, presently the walls surrounding paradise appeared. Around them nature revived, the earth was covered with verdure and dappled with flowers. The air vibrated with beautiful music. Seth was dazzled with the beauty which surrounded him, and he walked on forgetful of his mission. Suddenly there flashed before him a wondrous line of fire, bright like a serpent of light, and thusly quivering, it was the flaming sword in the hand of the cherub who guarded the gate.

As Seth drew nigh he saw that the angel's wings were expanded so as to block the door. He prostrated himself before the cherub, unable to utter a word. But the heavenly being read in his soul, better than a mortal can read a book, the words which were there impressed, and he said:

"The time of pardon is not yet round. Four thousand years must roll away before the Redeemer shall open the gate to Adam, closed by his disobedience. But as a token of future pardon the wood whereon redemption shall be won shall grow from the tomb of thy father. Behold what he lost by his transgression!"

At those words the angel swung open the great portal of gold and fire and Seth looked in.

He beheld a fountain, clear as crystal, sparkling like silver dust, playing in the midst of the garden, and gushing forth in four living streams. Before this mystic fountain grew a mighty tree, with a trunk of vast bulk and thickly branched, but destitute of bark, as if it were a tree of ivory.

Around the base of the tree were wreathed a frightful serpent or gorgon, which had scorched the bark and devoured the leaves. Beneath the tree was a precipice. Seth beheld the roots of the tree in hell. There Cain was striving to grasp the roots and clamber up them into paradise, but they had themselves around the body and limbs of the fratricide as the threads of a spider's web entangle a fly, and the fibers of the tree penetrated the body of Cain as though they were endowed with life. Horror struck at this awful sight, and Seth turned away from the summit of the tree. There all was changed. The tree had grown full of branches, covered with leaves, flowers and fruit. But the fairest fruit was a little babe, a living sun, who seemed to be listening to the songs of seven white doves who circled about his head. A woman, more lovely than the moon, bore the child in her arms.

Then the cherub closed the door and said: "I give thee now three seeds taken from that tree. When Adam is dead, place these three seeds in thy father's mouth and bury him."

So Seth took the seeds and returned to his father. Adam was glad to hear what his son told him and praised God. On the third day after the return of Seth he died. Then his son buried him in the skins of beasts which God had given him for a covering, and his sepulcher was on Golgotha. Treasures of time three trees grew from the seeds brought from paradise. One was a cedar, another a cypress and the third a pine. They grew with marvelous force, thrusting their branches to right and left. It was with one of these boughs that Moses performed his miracles in Egypt, brought water out of the rock and healed those whom the serpents slew in the desert.

In the time of Solomon this was the noblest of all the trees of Lebanon. He passed all in the forests of King Hiram as a monarch surpasses those who crouch at his feet. Now, when the son of David erected his palace he cut down this tree to convert it into the main pillar supporting his roof. But all in vain. The column refused to answer the purpose. It was at one time too long, at another too short. Surprised at this resistance, Solomon loved the walls of his palace to see the beam, but at once it shot up and pierced the roof, like an arrow driven through a piece of canvas or a bird recovering its liberty. Solomon, enraged, cast the tree overboard, that all might trample on it as they crossed the brook.

The queen of Sheba found it there, and recognizing its virtue and its value, Solomon then buried it. Some time after the king dug the pool of Bethesda on the spot. This pond at once acquired miraculous properties and healed the sick who bathed in it. The water over the stone of Bethesda is still a source of cure.

When the time of the crucifixion of Christ drew near, this wood rose to the surface and was brought out of the water. The executioners, when seeking a suitable beam to serve for the instrument of the death of the savior, after the crucifixion it was buried on Calvary, but the mother of Constantine the Great, the Empress Helena, found it deep in the ground with two others. Christ's was distinguished from those of the thieves by a sick woman being cured by touching it. Baring Gould's "Myths of the Middle Ages."

ERROR IN THE JEWISH CALENDAR.
A Universal Synod Suggested For Its Needed Correction.

In a lecture recently delivered under the auspices of the Grotz college in Philadelphia, Pa., "The Jewish Calendar," Dr. Cyril Adler called attention to an error in the calendar which many occasion some surprise to persons who have not investigated the subject.

It is a fact well known that the Jewish calendar in its present form was promulgated by Hillel II, about 860 C. B. This calendar is a bound lunar calendar, and it is a fact well known that the Jewish calendar was established in its present form by Hillel II, about 860 C. B. It was universally accepted by Jews, even by the Karaites, and has afforded an important bond of union among scattered Israel.

Grotz has voiced the ordinary opinion as to the accuracy of our calendar in the following words: "The method of calculating the calendar—introduced by Hillel—is so simple that it is certain that up to the present day it has not required either amendment or amplification, and for this reason is acknowledged to be perfect by all who are competent to express an opinion on the subject, whether Jews or non-Jews."

This statement, however, does not agree with the astronomical facts. Our calendar makes the average lunar month 29 days 12 hours 44 minutes 3.3 seconds, whereas the true value is 29 days 12 hours 44 minutes 02.811 seconds. Again, our calendar calculates the solar year at 365 days 5 hours 48 minutes 46.000 seconds, whereas the true value is 365 days 5 hours 48 minutes 46.000 seconds. It is plain, accordingly, that our calendar is a double source of error, amounting to more than 8 minutes per year. Assuming the lunar and solar year to have been co-ordinated at the time of publication of Hillel's calendar, the Jewish year has in the 1,540 years intervening advanced forward from the vernal equinox somewhat over 7 days.

The importance of the correctness of the calendar is so great that it would appear advisable that a universal synod, be called to devise a plan whereby error may be obviated. Such a synod, once assembled, might be able to take action in other directions of the highest importance for the welfare of Israel. American Hebrew.

THE VORACIOUS CARP.

Clever Ruses by Which It Is Exterminating Black Bass.

The German carp is a vicious fish after a fashion, and the kind of brain it has is described by W. F. Mechner in The Fishing Gazette. Says Mr. Mechner: "One day in early June, in 1894, in Montgomery county, Pa., I was watching the spawning bed of black bass in Perkiomen creek from a bridge overhead, when along came a number of large German carps. One made a feint toward the nest, and when attacked by the black-bass fled. While the bass was in pursuit the remainder of the carp started in, and in a twinkling covered the spawning bed. I was not far from the bass nest later and found securely an egg in it. I was told afterward of a similar case in the same stream."

The Pennsylvania report of the state commissioners of fisheries says that "there are few fishes more heartily antagonized by American anglers than the carp. They fail to see a redeeming feature in the creature, and charge it with many bad ones, the most serious of which is that it is a more inveterate spawn eater than the eel," and the anglers fear that it will in a few years practically exterminate all the valuable food and game fishes despite the efforts of the various fish commissioners.

The carp furnishes the angler little or no sport, because it refuses to take the ordinary lures offered. Its flesh is not popular with American fish eaters, as it is in European countries, where as early as 1297 it was cultivated in Austria.

It is not known exactly who first introduced carp into American waters, nor exactly when it was done, but Mr. Poffo, a Californian, some time before 1870, is believed to have been the man. He is regarded in much the same light as the introducer of the English sparrow into the United States, and the misguided men who turned English rabbits on to Australia.

"I want to give a white man arrested for incendiarism a lesson," said the perturbed colored gentleman.

"What's up?" asked the policeman.

"Man hired me to rake leaves out his yard, an when I was most free he say, 'Mose, dat wouldn't be no hand wuk at all of you was doing it jes' for fun, would it?' an I say: 'Dat so. Wuk fer fun ain't nobbut so t'rin as wuk fer pay.' Den he say: 'All right, I does not pay you, an dat will make it easier fer you. Always like to help pore laborin man along.' Now, wouldn't dat jar you?"—Indianapolis Journal.

Intelligent Rats.
Rats, according to a showman who exhibits a tame troop of the little beasts, are more easily taught than dogs. They have a more retentive ear for language and greater adaptability than any other animal. Louise Michel, who is also fond of rats, has discovered many virtues in them. They have respect for the aged, family feeling, and compensation for the unfortunate.

Out of Their Reach.
"I wonder how she manages to keep her youthful bloom with such a large family of children."

"Upon a high shelf, I suppose."

Far away the music of the bull rose softly, and that was all.—Detroit Tribune.

The merit of originality is not novelty; it is sincerity. The believing man is the original man; he believes for himself, not for another.—Carlyle.

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About Opium.
Opium is extracted from the matter which renders from the green, unripened capsule of the poppy. This matter is gathered in little globular particles of amber color by means of special instruments. It is put in earthen pots, carefully covered and transported to the laboratories of the English government, where it is massed in balls the size of a Dutch cheese.

These masses are covered by the petals of the plant which covers them and are then packed in boxes. After being packed methodically the masses are packed and sent to Calcutta, the market which supplies all Asia. A public adjudication of the stock takes place every week.

The average price of a case of 40 of the masses described above, weighing each in the neighborhood of 1,500 grains, is 2,000 francs.

From this raw opium is made the "chendon," the name under which is designated the opium of the smokers. The preparation is a very delicate one, and only the Chinese know how to get the best results. Consequently after the conquest of Indo-China by the French the government was obliged to respect the prejudices of its new subjects and concede to growth and traffic in opium, imposing upon it a small tax.

In 1883 M. LeMyre de Vilars, having fixed the amount of revenue to be gathered from the opium trade at 7,000,000 francs, the Chinese refused to submit to the tax. An establishment was then opened at Saigon, where, since that time, the opium has been manufactured under the surveillance of the government and sold by its special agents.

Youthful Discernment.
Johnny was trying to describe to his mother the lady whom he had met at Jimmy's home.

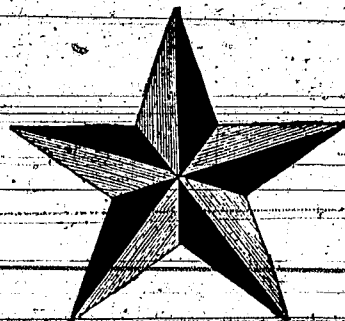
"Was she old or young?" asked Johnny's mamma.

"Well," said the astute youth, "I think if she's married she'd better be called middle aged."—New York Journal.

A Decided Novelty.
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"Brains."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.



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To make a suitable addition to the Garin school house and lot.

To purchase a school lot and to build a three-room primary school building thereon, west of Shattuck avenue and south of University avenue.

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